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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants

Robert Terkeltaub et al.

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METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR DIAGNOSING AND

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BONE MASS

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Date

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated April 22, 2003, please extend the period of time for response three months, to expire on October 22, 2003. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee.

In response to the Office Action dated April 22, 2003, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.